

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**APPLICANT: ROBERT UDEN**

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**TITLE: WATER CONDITIONER**

**PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION**

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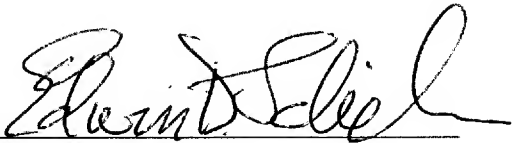
Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a three-month extension, until April 8, 2009, in which to file an *Amendment in Response to the First Office Action*, dated October 8, 2008, for the above-identified patent application.

The shortened statutory period for response expired on January 8, 2009. The requisite fee of \$555.00 (small entity) is being concurrently remitted via EFT.

Respectfully submitted,

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